



# history department

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS  
FACULTY OF ARTS  
& CONTINUING EDUCATION DIVISION

# east asia

PAST AND PRESENT

A university credit course including  
a three-week trip to East Asia.



# **HISTORY 161/N261/N491**

## **East Asia: Past and Present**

This intensive course has been designed to give students a basic introduction to East Asian history and culture and an opportunity to enhance their understanding with a three week intensive immersion in East Asian life. The course will be under the direction of two East Asian specialists, Professor Martin Singer, History Department, Sir George Williams Campus of Concordia University, and Professor Paul Ropp, History Department, McGill University.

During a three week orientation period formal lectures, films, guest speakers and assigned readings will provide the student with an outline of East Asian history and an introduction to salient aspects of East Asian culture. The central theme of the lectures will be the comparison of different historical and cultural traditions in East Asia and the manifestations of those traditions in contemporary life.

In early May the class will depart from Montreal for a three-week journey through Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand and Singapore. The main emphasis of the trip will be visits to important historical and cultural sights, but there will also be ample opportunity to observe the impact of modernization and to pursue one's own particular interests in each society. There will be frequent briefing sessions throughout and the instructors will be available to answer questions and guide students.

All students will be asked to keep a daily journal. The journal will provide an opportunity to reflect on their experiences and to integrate their first hand impressions with their prior knowledge of East Asian life — perhaps to deepen their awareness of cultural differences and similarities, perhaps to readjust their preconceptions. In addition students with prior background in the study of East Asia will select a substantial number of readings in consultation with the instructors. They will submit an essay on some particular aspect of East Asian life.

The course will be available to students of varying backgrounds, on both credit and non-credit basis. Students without background in East Asia should register for History N261 (Historical and Cultural Background of East Asia). Students with previous background in East Asian history and culture should register for History N491 (Special Studies in History). Students from other institutions should petition their home universities for transfer credit arrangements. Interested members of the general public may register for the course on a non-credit basis with the Sir George Williams Division of Continuing Education.

This personal immersion in Oriental life should help give students a much clearer picture of East Asian history and culture than a university course can normally provide.

## **Timetable**

Classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7-9 p.m., and Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Classes commence Saturday, April 26th and end Thursday, May 13th. The balance of the course follows in the itinerary, the departure date for which is May 17, 1975.

## **Itinerary**

### **TOKYO**

(three nights) (Capital of Japan since 1868; population 11.3 million).

Three nights' accommodation at the New Otani Tower Hotel.

Three full breakfasts.

Two dinners either in the hotel or in selected restaurants.

Kabuki Theatre performance.

City Tour of Tokyo (Imperial Palace Plaza, Outer Garden of Meiji Shrine, Asakusa Kanwan Temple, Nakamise Arcade, Tokyo Tower) (½ day).

Full day tour of Tokyo Industrial Facilities (Sony Transistor products, Canon Camera or Ricoh Camera, Sapporo Brewery or Suntory Distillery).

(One free afternoon in Tokyo).

### **HAKONE**

(one night) (A national park famous for its mountain scenery and historical sights).

One night's accommodation at the Hotel Kowaki-en (Japanese-style).

One full breakfast.

One Sukiyaki dinner.

Tour of Kamakura — the seat of Feudal government from 1192-1333 — including the Daibutsu, 700-year old bronze image of the Buddha.

Drive through Hakone National Park, including view of Mount Fuji.

Cruise on Lake Hakone.

"Bullet" train ride to Kyoto.



## KYOTO

(four nights) (Capital of Japan from 794-1868; population 1.5 million; the religious, educational, historical, and industrial center of Japan.

Four nights' accommodation at the Kyoto Grand Hotel.

Three full breakfasts.

Four dinners either in the hotel or in selected restaurants.

Tour of Classical Kyoto including the Old Imperial Palace, the Kinkakuji (Gold Pavilion), and Nijo Castle (½ day).

Full day tour to Nara, ancient capital of Japan — 8th century AD and important in Japan's arts and crafts, literary and industrial development, visiting the Todaiji Temple with the world's largest image of the Buddha, Nara Deer Park, Kasuga Shrine (known for its unique architecture), Byodoin Temple and Fushimie Inari Shrine).

Tour of Sanjusangendo Hall, Kiyomizu Temple and Heian Shrine.

(One free day in Kyoto).

## HONG KONG

(four nights).

Four nights' accommodation at the Hong Kong Hotel.

Four full breakfasts.

Four dinners at the hotel or at selected restaurants.

Tour of the island of Hong Kong (including the Wan Chai district, Tiger Balm Garden, Repulse Bay, Aberdeen and Victoria Peak) — ½ day.

Tour of Kowloon and the New Territories including Tsun Wan, Castle Peak and the "Walled Village" at Kam tin (½ day).

(1½ free days).

## BANGKOK

(four nights).

Four nights' accommodations at the Dusit Thani Hotel.

Four full breakfasts.

Four full dinners at the hotel or in selected restaurants.

Tour of the Royal Grand Palace (including Watphra Kio and the Emerald Buddha, Golden Cheddi, Pantheon of the Kings and Towers of the Planets (½ day).

Tour of the Floating Market along the Chao Dhya River, the Temple of Dawn-Wat Arim and the Royal Barges (½ day).

Rice barge cruise to Thai Village with an evening of popular local entertainment.

(1½ free days).

## SINGAPORE

(two nights).

Two nights' accommodations at the Shangri La Hotel.

Two full breakfasts.

Two dinners in the hotel or at selected restaurants.

Tour of Singapore (including Botanical Garden, House of Jade and Mount Faber).

(one free day).

## HONG KONG

(one night).

One night's hotel accommodation.

One full breakfast.

(Dinner not included).

## Course Costs \$1,650.00.

Which includes the following:

1. University tuition.
2. Three-week intensive historical and cultural orientation to East Asia — consisting of formal lectures, films, slides, and guest speakers from the countries to be visited.
3. Return economy class jet air transportation to all ports of entry in East Asia (Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Singapore, Honolulu).
4. Comprehensive guided motor coach excursions to major points of interest in each city visited.
5. Briefing sessions at each new arrival.
6. Double occupancy hotel accommodation with private bath.
7. All breakfasts and dinners.
8. All hotel and restaurant gratuities.
9. All airport transfers.
10. Transfer of two pieces of baggage — up to 44 lbs. — by air and land.

## Registration

*Registration:* Must be completed and returned as soon as possible on the prescribed form. The deadline for application is April 16, 1975.

*Deposit:* A deposit of \$100 must accompany the application form.

*Final Payment:* Final payment of the total inclusive fee must be made 30 days prior to the departure date (April 16, 1975).

**Cancellations:** All monies received will be refunded in full for any cancellations received prior to one month before departure. A cancellation charge of \$50 per person will be made for cancellations within one month from the date of departure. Air transportation other than group inclusive tour air fares, from Montreal via the route of the itinerary, and in accordance with specified air reservations, passport and documentation charges, vaccination, inoculation, meals unless specified in the itinerary, transportation of heavy baggage in excess of 44 lbs., airport and transportation taxes levied by local government of airport authorities cannot be prepaid and are not included.

### **Important Notes**

1. Accommodations in hotels are based on two course members sharing a twin-bedded room with private bath. Single room supplement \$175.00 per person.
2. Full North American breakfast will be provided every morning in East Asia except on the morning when course members depart from Kyoto to Hong Kong.
3. Dinners will be provided at hotels or at selected restaurants in each city.
4. If the course members do not plan to follow our itinerary to return to Canada with the group on the 21st day, services for their accommodations will be terminated upon their departure from Singapore on the 20th day. Under such circumstances those course members cannot use group air fares and have to pay applicable additional air fares.
5. Course members may elect to remain in Honolulu or any West coast port of entry for up to two weeks at no additional air fare.
6. Canadian citizens should have the following travel documents for their trip:
  - a. *Valid Passport*
  - b. Smallpox and cholera inoculations. The International Certificate of Vaccinations must be validated by a Canadian Public Health Office. Note: Non-Canadian citizens should contact the Nirenberg Travel Agency for particular information.

**NOT INCLUDED** in the course costs are:

- a. Most lunches.
- b. Passport and visa applications.
- c. Airport departure taxes.



## General Conditions

*Air Transportation:* Via Northwest Orient Airlines and services of any ATC or IATA Carrier and on round trip economy class jet. Air fares, which are subject to change without notice, are based on group inclusive tour (GIT) air fares from Montreal to Singapore for a minimum of 10 people traveling together throughout according to IATA requirements. Federal air transportation and travel taxes are not included.

*Land Costs:* Costs of land arrangements in the course fares are quoted in U.S. dollars and are based on tariffs and rates of exchange between U.S. dollars and foreign currencies in effect on Sept. 1, 1974. Costs of land arrangements are subject to adjustment if exchange rates fluctuate.

*Hotel Accommodations:* Hotels with private bath in each room as specified in the itinerary or similar class of hotels based on double occupancy. Hotels subject to change.

*Baggage:* At "owner's risk" throughout the tour. Baggage allowance, up to 44 lbs. by air and on land.

*Meals:* Full North American breakfasts and dinners as specified in the itineraries on table d'hôte basis. Transfers between hotels and restaurants, supper clubs or theatres for dinner and/or native entertainment or stage shows are not included.

*Responsibility:* Concordia University, A. Nirenberg Travel Bureau and Pacific Delight Tours Inc., give notice that all tickets and coupons issued by them and all arrangements for transport or conveyance, or for hotel accommodations made by them as agents upon the express condition that they shall not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of any defect in any vehicle, or through the acts of default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passengers, or in carrying out the arrangements of the course or otherwise in connection therewith, or of any hotel proprietor or servant. Pacific Delight Tours, Inc. and/or Associated Companies, accept no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delays or changes in train, steamers, or other services, sickness, weather, strikes, war, quarantine or other causes. All course itineraries and fares may be affected by alterations in steamship, air, or railroad services of the various countries, or by other causes. The right is reserved to withdraw any tour announced in this program and to make such alterations in the itineraries as may be found desirable for the convenience of the parties and the proper carrying out of the tours. The right is

also reserved to decline, to accept, or to retain any person as a member of any party at any time. All fares shown are based on the present value of foreign currencies in relation to the United States dollar, and in current tariffs and are subject to confirmation or adjustments (either way) when final payment for the tour is made.

The right is reserved to cancel the course prior to departure. In such case full refund of all payments will constitute full settlement by the passenger. The airlines concerned are not held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are not on board their planes or conveyance. The passenger contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchaser of these tours and/or passenger.

Any and/or all Transportation Companies herein mentioned shall have or incur no responsibility for liability to any traveler aside from their liability as common carriers.

The necessary registration forms and further information may be obtained by contacting:

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